

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE

APPLICATION OF

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U.S. APPLICATION NO: 10/510,413

35 USC §371 DATE: May 27, 2005

FOR: METHOD FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF INHIBITORS OF THE
BINDING OF ARE-CONTAINING MRNA AND A HUR PROTEIN

MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Office Action of June 29, 2007 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on July 29, 2007. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$120 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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